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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 4 through 6, with the following amended version of that paragraph:

This application is a continuation of United States non-provisional application No. 09/553,423, filed April 19, 2000, which claims the benefit of United States provisional application No. 60/131,992, filed April 30, 1999.